

The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.

## TENDER THOUGHTS.

I hear the wind, I hear the rain,  
I hear the beating of the chain,  
The stars are falling through the trees  
The waves are roaring on the seas;  
I hear the soft and tender sigh,  
That follows on the lightning's sigh—  
The sun is touching, unobscured skies,  
The dark that sings, unward flies—  
All lovely things I hear or see—  
Speak to my heart of thee—but thee.

—Philip Lincoln.

## ITEMS.

Young Prince William of Germany is now training for Emperor.

Mr. Carlisle is serving his third term as Speaker. Nathaniel Macon served three terms also.

President Carnot is nothing of a genius, as said in Paris, but a man of solid parts. He has a domestic wife and a son-in-law.

The North State says that there are eighteen Republican newspapers published in North Carolina now against five two years ago.

The Republican National Committee held a meeting in Washington last Thursday and selected Chicago as the place, and June 19th as the date of the Republican National Convention.

There are twenty-seven red-headed men in the new House. When they collide with the Republican leaders look out for fire and fow.

Of the twenty-six Randall Democrats in the last Congress only twelve got back. Only six of these are understood to oppose tariff reduction.

The Northern papers regard the Supreme Court decision in the Virginia case as a "State Rights" blow. That is the size of it; we are glad to believe.

Sullivan was bitted at one of his entertainments in London. He made a little speech and said: "I have exhibited before many audiences and in them, one and all, I have found always some pigs without tails."

This remark upon Jenny Lind appears in an English paper: "If ever an angel leaning over the crystal battlements happened to let a voice slip out of her possession, it fell upon the cradle of Jenny Lind."

The estimates for Government expenditures for the year to the end of 30th June 1889, are \$326,530,792. This is an increase of \$16,899,406 over the present fiscal year.

The President's Message to Congress is the shortest for many years. Mr. Cleveland confines himself to one topic alone—the revenues of the country. He is a tariff reformer.

The present session of Congress will, like its immediate predecessors, be marked by a fast food of bills and no little crude attempts at legislation, unless the new hands should prove wiser legislators than the outgoing men of more experience.

Henceforth disabled Confederate soldiers in South Carolina will draw a pension of five dollars a month. A praiseworthy appropriation.

Washington is taking steps to have a grand celebration on 30th September, 1889, to mark the centennial of the inauguration of George Washington as President.

In Clay county, Ark., and in some of the adjoining counties, the black diptheria is raging with fearful mortality. Thus far over fifty deaths have occurred, and eminent physicians from abroad have been sent for.

Farmers in the western part of Kansas are seizing cars loaded with coal to supply themselves with fuel; they claim that they are at the mercy of a monopoly, and that they cannot get enough fuel to keep their families warm; they leave their names and money for the coal.

The New England Historic Genealogical Society has discovered that the word "Yankee" is probably derived from the Dutch "Janker," which means a chronic growler or a howling cur.

Great excitement prevails in Paris over the attempted assassination of M. Ferry in the lobby of the Chamber of Deputies; he was fired at three times, and it is reported he was seriously wounded.

A Baltimore girl named Dorothy Williams is on trial for the death of Charles J. Small. He had slandered her, and she attacked him with a baseball bat. He wrestled the bat from her and began to beat her. She bit his thumb and he died. She established an excellent character.

Charles H. Knox, of New York, for fifteen years a member of the Republican party, has resigned. He says: "I think the objects for which it was organized have been accomplished, and I am aware of no issue before the people which it is entitled to support. I believe that the civil war and all questions growing out of it have been decided, and I am opposed to viewing the South as a conquered province, ever to be reminded of her defeat and that her people were rebels." The recent incident of the battle flags shows how a noisy and conspicuous portion of the Republican party is willing for political effect to go into flame sectional hatred. On the tariff I also find myself opposed to the Republican party. It is not wise nor proper to keep up war taxes in time of peaceful peace.

Attorney-General Garland in his annual report, gives the following as the work of his office—the Department of Justice: "The number of ordinary suits now pending in the Court of Claims is 1,110, involving \$13,250,000. The number of cases filed under the Bowmen Act is 1,819, involving about \$50,000,000. The petitions filed in the Federal spoliation cases number 6,560, representing 2,350 vessels and about \$39,000,000. The amount reported in favor of claimants in the 81 cases passed on is about \$425,000. During the fiscal year 1,777 civil suits were terminated. In 922 of these judgments were for the United States, in 102 for the defendants and 703 were either compromised, dismissed or discontinued; 26 were removed from the District to the Circuit Court and 24 from the Circuit Court to the Supreme Court. There were during July 1, 3,054 civil suits to which the United States was a party. During the year there were 12,907 criminal prosecutions, mostly for violations of the Internal Revenue laws."

The World has interviewed many members of the House on the message. The Republicans like it and do not like it. They like it because it makes a square issue; they dislike it because it is for the people and against the monopolists, the special friends of Republicans. The straight Democrats are absolutely in love with it. We copy a few opinions:

Congressman Breckinridge—I endorse the message. It is an excellent document, and is very strong.

Congressman Springer—It is a great document. It is the most concise and the most instructive message that was ever sent to Congress by any President.

Congressman Mills—Good, elegant! It could not be better.

Congressman Townsend—Elegant, elegant! It beats them all. It could not be better. We are going to stand by him and we are going to win.

Congressman Bland—It's the best we have ever had. I have not heard its equal since I have been in Congress.

Randall refused to talk.

George G. Vest, of Missouri—I think the President's message a strong one and I endorse it fully.

Z. B. Vance, of North Carolina—I approve of every word of the message.

M. C. Butler, of South Carolina—President Cleveland's message gives a most able solution of the tariff problem.

The World continued its interview of the members of Congress. Over four-fifths have spoken. The Democrats are pretty solid for the President. Only 45 Republicans favor Blaine for the nomination. The general result is thus given:

Republicans in choice for President.	
Non-committal.	58
For Blaine.	45
The nominee of the convention.	15
John Sherman.	10
Harrison.	2
Gov. Ross (Wyo.).	1
Judge Gresham.	2
Gov. Robinson (Mass).	1
Allison.	5
Gov. McKim (Pa.).	1
Chauncey M. Depew.	1
Total.	146

In favor of Cleveland's tariff ideas.	D. R.
Non-committal.	29
Opposed to Cleveland's tariff ideas.	6
For tariff reform only.	60
For revenue reform only.	14
For tariff and revenue reform.	88
Non-committal.	12
Against any change.	24

One Independent Republican elected by the Labor party was non-committal on the question of his choice for the Presidency. He, however, favored Mr. Cleveland's ideas and declared himself strongly in favor of both tariff and revenue reform.

The Baltimore Sun tells the following: "One of these World men approached on the Senate floor Senator Gorman, when the following conversation took place:

'Are you a Senator?'  
'Yes, I believe I am.'

'What is your name?'

'Gorman,' said the Senator, looking at the young man with astonishment.

'Are you a Democrat?'

'Well, I have generally been classed as one. Now, may I ask who you are?'

'Oh, I represent the New York World.'

'Well, I am not surprised the New York World does not know a Democrat when it sees one, and I have nothing to say about the message.'

## Small's Successor.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—One of the prominent new members is Elliott, of South Carolina, who has sprung into notoriety because of his having defeated the colored member, Gen. Small, for re-election in what is known as the "Black District." Small is contesting for the seat, though up to the present time it does not appear that he has been able to make out a very strong case. Elliott comes to Congress with the reputation of having more power and influence over the colored people than any other person in the State. The fact that a white person in a district which is so overwhelmingly composed of colored people could have defeated a colored man like Small, who himself is regarded popular, is a question which has been the subject of much comment. Small does not attempt to show in his brief that there was intimidation or anything of that nature, but alleges irregularities in the manner in which the votes were cast.

Mr. Elliott is in appearance quiet, dignified and exceptionally reserved in his manner. He is said to be considerable of an orator, and sways the colored people by the power of his eloquence. Mr. Elliott, since his arrival, has been very much amused, and possibly embarrassed, at the anxiety of a great many people to see him. Strange as it may appear, half of those who have heard of him made the mistake of thinking him a colored man. The confusion of names is made out of the fact that in the Forty-third Congress the same South Carolina district was represented by Robert Brown Elliott, a very noted colored orator who made a national reputation in a speech made in reply to Fernando Wood upon the subject of alleged Southern outrages. The colored Elliott served but two terms in Congress. Shortly after his Congressional career closed he died, and those who do not remember that fact have mistaken the present Elliott for the great colored orator. Elliott is said to have done as Governor Bob Taylor of Tennessee did, when he was elected to Congress by virtue of his power to captivate the mountaineers with the melody of a fiddle.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Judge Aldrich to Resign.

In familiar intercourse with several gentlemen yesterday, Judge Aldrich casually remarked: "My wife wanted to make me a new gown, but I told her it was no use, that I was going to resign from the bench."

"Do you mean it Judge?" said one of his audience.

"Yes, I have determined to resign after the present term of Court expires,"—Charleston Evening Sun, Nov. 29.

"You love my daughter?" said the old man. "Love her!" he exclaimed, passionately, "why, sir, I would die for her! For one soft glance from those sweet eyes I would bury myself from yonder cliff and perish a bleeding, bruised man, upon the rocks two hundred feet below!" The old man shook his head. "I'm something of a liar myself," he said, "and one is enough for a

## HOW DO WE DIG OUR GRAVES?

We must eat or we cannot live. This we all know. But do we all know that we die by eating? It is said we dig our graves with our teeth. How foolishly true. We are terrified at the approach of the cholera and yellow fever, yet there is a disease constantly at our doors and in our houses far more dangerous and destructive. Most people have in their own stomachs a poison, more slow, but quite as fatal as the germs of those maladies which sweep men into eternity by thousands without warning in the times of great epidemics. But it is a mercy that if we are watchful, we can tell when we are threatened. The following are among the symptoms, yet they do not always necessarily appear in the same order, nor are they always the same in different cases. There is a dull and sleepy feeling; a bad taste in the mouth, especially in the morning; the appetite is changeable, sometimes poor and again it seems as though the patient could not eat enough, and occasionally no appetite at all; dullness and sluggishness of the mind; no ambition to study or work; more or less headache and heaviness in the head; dizziness on rising to the feet or moving suddenly; furred and coated tongue; a sense of a load on the stomach that nothing removes; hot and dry skin at times; yellow tinge in the eyes; scanty and high-colored urine; sour taste in the mouth, frequently attended by palpitation of the heart; impaired vision, with spots that seem to be swimming in the air before the eyes; a cough, with a greenish-colored expectoration; poor nights rest; a sticky slime about the teeth and gums; hands and feet cold and clammy; irritable temper and bowels bound up and constive. This disease has puzzled the physicians and still puzzles them. It is the commonest of ailments and yet the most complicated and mysterious. Sometimes it is treated as consumption, sometimes as liver complaint, and then again as malaria and even heart disease. But its real nature is that of constipation and dyspepsia. It arises in the digestive organs and soon affects all the others through the corrupted and poisoned blood. Often the whole body—including the nervous system—is literally starved, even when there is no emaciation to tell the sad story.

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